

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2007 - HB 2071

March 4, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Deletes the certificate of need requirement for admission of a publicly, or potentially publicly, funded person with mental illness or serious emotional disturbance to a hospital. Currently such a person may not be voluntarily admitted or involuntarily admitted or committed unless the physician, psychologist, or designated professional examining the person determines that person is subject to admission and also completes a certificate of need for such action.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

The Department would still be required to maintain a community based screening process for voluntary and involuntary admissions as required in TCA 33-6-104. Assumes that the TennCare Behavioral Health Organizations will continue such pre-screenings.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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